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In re Application of:)	
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For: HYDRAULIC BINDER AND A CHROMATE)	
REDUCER AND USE THEREOF)	

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German Offenlegungsschrift DE 197 44 035 A1 describes a cement preparation process in which iron(II) sulfate particles are added, as reducing agent for eczema-causing water-soluble chromate, to the cement being discharged from large intermediate storage silos in the cement works. Preparation of a cement, which contains eczema-causing water-soluble chromate and which is mixed with 0.01-1 wt.% dry iron(II) sulfate particles for chemical reduction of this chromate(VI), in which the ground cement is stored in large silos in the cement works and withdrawn for transport in silo trucks or for packaging in sacks, the novelty is that the dry iron(II) sulfate particles are added to the cement on withdrawal from the large silos. Preferred Features: When sacks are being filled, an automatically weighed quantity of iron(II) sulfate is introduced continuously into the cement flowing into the sacks or in portions into the sacks.

Article "Eisen(II)sulfat als Zusatz zur Chromatreduzierung" [*Iron(II) sulfate as additive for chromate reduction*] describes the use of iron(II) sulfate as additive in cement for chromate reduction.

The above-identified application discloses and claims an invention patentable over this prior art.

Entry of the references above set forth into the file of the above application is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
IPC 7 C04B

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

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